

## **VOLUNTOWN SELECTMEN'S MEETING**

**August 16, 2016**

<b>Meeting</b>	A Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, August 16, 2016 at the Voluntown Town Hall. Mr. Sirpenski, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
<b>Selectmen Present</b>	Robert A. Sirpenski, Tracey L. Hanson, Jack S. Wesa
<b>Town Officials</b>	None
<b>Citizens Present</b>	Arthur Nieminen; Audience of Citizens
<b>Motion</b>	<p>A motion was made (Tracey Hanson/Jack Wesa) to add the opening of the Sand and Snowplowing/Sanding bids to the agenda. Motion Approved.</p> <p>Bids were received as follows: Winter Sand: Doris Desjardin at \$12.00 per yard and Snowplowing/Sanding: Heavy Duty Truck &amp; Auto at \$150.00 per hour. A decision will be made after review of the bids.</p>
<b>Approval of Minutes</b>	
Motion	A motion was made (Jack Wesa/Tracey Hanson) to approve the minutes of the meeting held on July 19, 2016 as submitted. Motion Approved.
<b>Citizens Comments</b>	
Arthur Nieminen	<p>Mr. Nieminen asked if the Public Works Dept. would be doing the drainage work in the area of Lakeside Terrace when the road is paved. Mr. Sirpenski noted that the drainage has been an ongoing problem for the past fifteen years and is beyond the scope of the Public Works Dept.</p> <p>Mr. Nieminen noted that the Planning &amp; Zoning Commission and the BOS received a Summons and asked if the BOS had acquired the services of an attorney. Mr. Sirpenski stated that the matter has been referred to an attorney and he could not comment on it at this time.</p>
<b>Correspondence &amp; Announcements</b>	
Bids – Paving	Mr. Sirpenski stated that seven bid packets had been picked up and a total of two were completed and submitted for the paving project in the area of Bennett, Tanglewood and Lakeside Terrace. The bids were as follows: B&W Paving with a bid of \$427,255 and Pasteryak with a bid of \$296,980. A decision will be made pending review of the bids.
Denison Hill Rd.	Mr. James Eppinger forward a copy of an email to DEEP requesting that the forest road which passes within twenty feet of his home be re-routed.
Koistinen Bridge	Mr. Sirpenski reviewed information from the DOT regarding the replacement of the 87 year old Koistinen Bridge on Rt. 49S. The DOT reviewed the plans with the Town and concerns were expressed that it would create a twenty-five mile detour which would impact emergency services as well as the transportation of school students. The DOT agreed to review its plan and possibly replace one lane at a time.
Finn Beach – Sand	Mr. Sirpenski thanked Selectman Hanson and James Crider, Public Works Director, for their handling of the grading and spreading of additional sand at Finn Beach. Mr. Sirpenski noted that Ms. Hanson worked with Mr. Dawley of DEEP and the sand was obtained at no cost to the Town. Mr. Wesa stated that the security patrols at the beach have been effective and patrons have expressed gratitude.
Triathlon	The DOT forwarded a copy of a permit issued for the “Rhode Warrior Half Iron Distance Triathlon” to be held on August 21, 2016. The event will take place in North Stonington and Voluntown.

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Library Addition	Ms. Rubin forwarded an email from Tom Newman of the Division of Library Development detailing the process for a one-year extension of the grant funding deadline. Mr. Sirpenski asked Ms. Rubin to draft the request and present it to the BOS for review and signature.
Sen. Chris Murphy	Ms. Emily Boushee, Outreach Assistant for Senator Murphy, contacted the Town about a meeting. Selectman Hanson will respond.
Planning/Zoning Vacancy	Mr. VanLanen forwarded a request to the BOS asking that Scott Davidson be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Planning and Zoning Commission. The request will be forwarded to the Commission.
Fire Dept. Report	The Voluntown Fire Dept. submitted their annual report which will be kept on file in the Selectmen's office.
Nutmeg Network	Mr. Sirpenski noted that the Network Access Service Agreement has been signed and processed.
<b>New Business</b>	
Appointment - Motion Transfer Station	A motion was made (Robert Sirpenski/Tracey Hanson) to appoint Ronald Millovitsch to fill a vacancy on the Transfer Station Commission. Motion Approved.
Tax Refunds Motion	A motion was made (Tracey Hanson/Jack Wesa) to refund tax overpayments as follows: Pamela and David Florence - \$2,135.32; Town of Voluntown - \$2,129.47; Heather Perry & Thomas Triolo - \$899.16; Karen & Joseph Escher - \$1,280.52; Samantha Thereau - \$2,167.92; Tracy & Michael McCarthy - \$124.72; Jon Lussier - 155.80; Elizabeth Donahue Jenkins - \$478.98; Barbara Wood - \$43.21; Michael Cavasino - \$48.10; Henry Coogan - \$18.61; Honda Lease Trust - 76.38; Thomas Hodgkins - \$17.71; Carleen Lee - \$404.06; Gail Caddell - \$42.51; Tess & Wilson Tenreiro - \$159.34. Motion approved.
Fire House Floor Motion	A motion was made (Robert Sirpenski/Jack Wesa) to waive the permit fee for the replacement/repair of the Fire House floor. Motion Approved.
<b>Old Business</b>	None
<b>Adjournment</b>	
Motion	A motion was made (Tracey Hanson/Jack Wesa) to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m. Motion Approved.

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved for distribution by:

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Roxanne Gray, Admin. Asst. to the BOS

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Robert Sirpenski, First Selectman